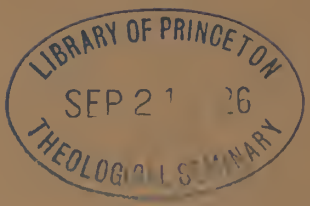

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The Home Base

When the Home Base Committee of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America was constituted, the object and scope of the Committee was defined, briefly, as a committee to maintain for the conference *a kind of clearing house for the interchange of thought and helpful suggestions regarding matters of mutual concern* . . . feeling sure that the "crux of the missionary problem is the state of the home church," the state of its knowledge of missionary affairs, its feeling with reference to its obligation, and its will regarding a response to the Divine summons to evangelize the world.

The Home Base of the newly organized Woman's Board of Foreign Missions might well be defined as above—"a clearing house for the interchange of helpful suggestions regarding matters of mutual concern."

And this Home Base operates

THROUGH its various offices at 156 Fifth Avenue, New York City

THROUGH 6 District Headquarters

40 Synodical Societies
269 Presbyterial Societies
4794 Women's Societies
1642 Westminster Guilds
5787 Young People's and Christian Endeavor Societies, Bands, etc.

And what of the various forms of work which go to make up this "clearing house?"

The first is the

Year Book of Prayer

One Missionary leader has defined this as "THE base on which all the rest is built as a pyramid."

Mrs. Halsey L. Wood, who has had charge of editing this roll-call of our substitutes at the front for many years, gives the following interesting facts about the little booklet:

The need of a thing is the reason for its being.

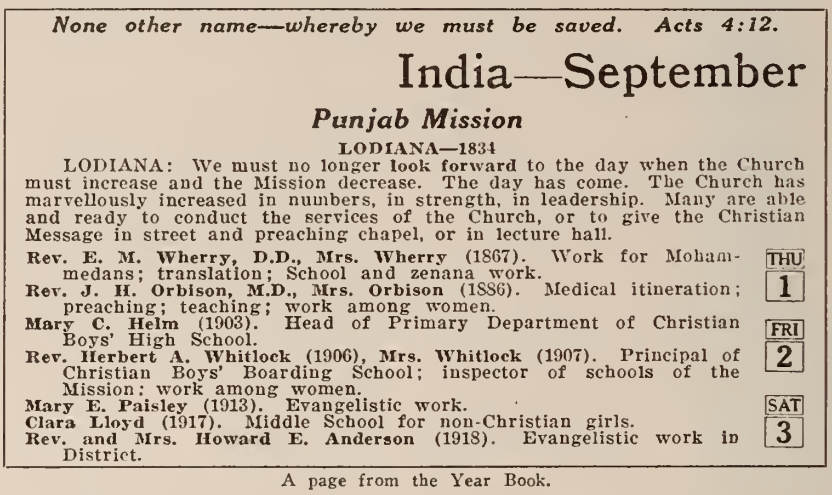
In 1895, the little Year Book was prepared with the design of uniting those who are watching for His coming to all Nations, in a circle of prayer which should girdle the earth. It was dedicated to the Missionaries of the Presbyterian Church, as an evidence of daily, prayerful remembrance of them by their home friends; and with the expectation that they, too, would join the circle and make the connection complete between the members of the family so widely separated.

Carved deep in the white marble over the portal of the great post office building in Washington City is this inscription:

"Messenger of sympathy and love
Servant of parted friends
Consoler of the lonely
Enlarger of the common life
Bond of the scattered family!"

Some one has said that it almost seems as if the mind which conceived this beautiful and appropriate inscription must have had a glimpse of what our Year Book of Prayer has come to mean to our missionaries all over the world, and to the friends that stand back of them. We are indeed all one family, knit together by the closest of family ties—a common love for one Father, one Elder Brother, and for our brothers and sisters for whom Christ died. And, finally, we are indeed a "scattered family."

Not long ago a missionary wrote, after a day of peculiarly heavy burdens: "That night as I lay down I was too exhausted, mentally and physically, even to pray. But I was borne up to the very Gate of Heaven as I remembered that it was my day in the *Year Book*—and that those at home and those in other mission fields were praying for me." They count on your prayers. Do not fail them. In thus remembering our substitutes, we bear an important part of our share of the missionaries' burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ. As we speak of them to God, who waits to hear them and us, we shall enter more fully into their lives, and love them with a broader and a warmer love.



None other name—whereby we must be saved. Acts 4:12.

India—September

Punjab Mission

LODIANA—1834

LODIANA: We must no longer look forward to the day when the Church must increase and the Mission decrease. The day has come. The Church has marvellously increased in numbers, in strength, in leadership. Many are able and ready to conduct the services of the Church, or to give the Christian Message in street and preaching chapel, or in lecture hall.

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Clara Lloyd (1917). Middle School for non-Christian girls.
Rev. and Mrs. Howard E. Anderson (1918). Evangelistic work in District. 3

A page from the Year Book.

The foremost missionary of his day and of all days, cried out with deepest longing, "Brethren, pray for us." Paul needed the prayers of the Christians in the home churches, and the Christians in Thessalonica and Ephesus and Corinth and Jerusalem needed to pray for Paul the missionary, in order that the missionary spirit might quicken and inspire them. Is our need any the less?

In the Assembly Room of the Board of Foreign Missions, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York City, each day at 12:30 are gathered the representatives of the several departments for fifteen minutes of intercessory prayer. The leader may be a Board Secretary, a furloughed missionary, or a guest. Then follows a hymn, a few verses of scripture, a word of exhortation, and always the Year Book of Prayer. In addition to the names recorded for the day, opportunity is given for remembering those who have suffered by flood or famine or plague; of thanksgiving for showers of blessings, of comfort for those who mourn.

In the striking imagery of Isaiah, those who wait upon God desiring His salvation to be known, are called "the king's remembrancers." In older times, the king caused a record to be kept of all persons marked for special favor or reward. But he did not depend on this record alone to remind him of his gracious purposes. One was appointed who had the privilege of access to the king's person, who might speak to him from day to day of those who were to be the recipients of his royal bounty. This one was called the king's remembrancer. This Year Book of Prayer is prepared for the King's remembrancers. The names written here are also written in the Book of Life; it is the record of those upon whom the Lord purposes to bestow special marks of favor. It is our high privilege, as we turn these pages day by day, to call their names before Him, and tell of their labors and their needs, knowing that He will bless them out of the fulness of His loving heart. "Ye that are the Lord's remembrancers, keep not silences."

The making up of this Year Book of Prayer would be impossible were it not that each year new missionaries were added to the roll to take places made vacant by death or enforced resignations.

The Selection of Missionaries

is therefore a very important part of the work of the Home Base. The missionaries are the Church's chief asset in the successful conduct of its work. There is an increasing demand from the missions for a better equipment and for the finest type of character.

When the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions was organized January 1, 1921, the United Candidate Department was also organized. The action taken was as follows:

"There shall be one united candidate department of the Assembly's Board and the Woman's Board. This department shall consist of the following:

Two coordinate secretaries, a man and a woman, the man to be responsible for matters pertaining to the men candidates, the woman for matters pertaining to the women candidates.

The duties of the department shall be:

To have charge of all that pertains to the selecting, training, and appointment of candidates, and to plan the details which will enable it to conduct the work most efficiently."

In accordance with the above, *Miss Ann T. Reid* was appointed as the Secretary in charge of the correspondence with the women; to gather up the material which first passes under the oversight of the committees in the various districts. The plan has already proved to be a success along these lines. She writes:

A saving of time in the appointment, if the case is an urgent one; representation in the Executive Council, which is another great step in advance, for it gives the candidate secretary of the Woman's Board an opportunity to know the viewpoint of the missions because of her touch with the secretaries having the oversight of the foreign field; an increase in the spirit of cooperation between the two Boards.

Two of the fields stand out prominently as needing reinforcements at the present time, Siam and Latin America.

Siam, with its 6,250,000 people, many of them immigrants from China. Siam is the stronghold of Buddhism, which is the national religion. Up in the north country among the hill tribes, the real worship is that of spirits and demons. The Presbyterian Church is the only missionary agency in all Siam, and only a small part of the country has been occupied.

There is a desperate need for teachers, six being called for next year to serve in Bangkok, the capital city, and others to supply the need as far north as Chiengrung, the most isolated station of the entire mission.

Where can one begin or end in speaking of the need in LATIN-AMERICA?

Mexico, our next door neighbor, is asking for three teachers—and needs them!

Brazil—From Bahia, which is the residence of the Archbishop of Brazil and the stronghold of ecclesiasticism, comes the call for a highly trained teacher with executive ability; and in Southern Brazil the Christian Institute of Practical Arts is asking for a woman teacher. These are only a few of the needs.

Colombia, where the name of Christ is on every tongue although very few know the story of His life or the life which He came to bring, urgently needs two women for school and evangelistic work at Bucaramanga; the school at Barranquilla is asking for a normal graduate, if possible; and the Bogota Girls' School is asking for help also.

The calls mentioned are only a few of the many which are daily coming. There is as great a need for women evangelistic workers, for doctors, and for nurses. Every church has young women in its congregation who could go to the foreign field and whom you might interest. THINK AND ACT!

Closely allied to the "selection of the missionary" is

The Student Work

Working with the Woman's Boards of both Home and Foreign Missions are three young college women, Miss Florence G. Tyler, Miss Mary Eliza Clark, and Miss Rose Wilson, who bring the needs of the fields at home and abroad to the young women of the colleges and win them for world-wide service in the United States and foreign lands. *Miss Clark* tells how they carry on this work:

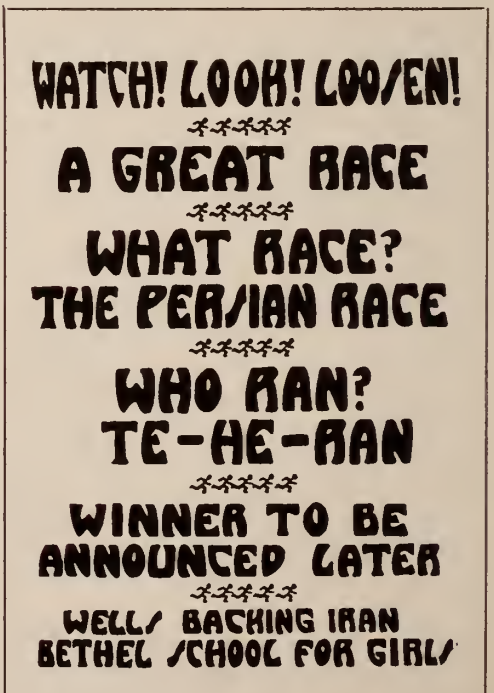
Nearly a year ago, when an article entitled, "*These Wild Young People,*" appeared in the *Atlantic Monthly,* many troubled people doubtless shook their heads and said, "I suppose it's about the present-day college student!" If there are those whose whole estimate of the college student is pessimistically summed up in these words, this article is not for them, for it might upset their theories.

Within the past year more than seven hundred of these "wild young people" (of the gentler sex, but you've heard that the "female is more deadly than the male"), have sought out the student secretaries of the Woman's Boards of Missions to talk with them: about stretching the minds and sympathies of the girls in college; about strengthening the work of the young people in their home-church; about making hungry yellow babies and sick brown babies real to the little white folks in a Sunday School used to small chairs for small people, picture cards, and birthday cakes; about places to study medicine and nursing, with a view to pursuing these professions in a foreign country; about the value of a study of comparative religions; about the possible use for dramatic and athletic training in China or India or South America.

When a field student secretary returns from a trip, laden with slips recording interviews and requests for information, or sends these back to the already busy executive secretary in the office, there is a wondering thought, "*When* shall we get these all straightened out?" and one sometimes feels like the small boy who said he could count all the chickens in the brood but one, which jumped around too much to be counted.

They *do* jump around, these wild young people! One of them, who first gained an interest in missionary work through a student secretary at a summer conference in 1920, is jumping to China in 1921, to teach in the Hackett Medical School; thirteen of the outgoing missionaries in 1921 had some definite connection with the student office; and the "jumps" of a score of undergraduates landed them this summer in work under the Home Mission Boards.

Another jump of last year was a "mass movement." Three masses have moved in an effort to reach around the world: the College of Wooster sending its own missionary to Korea; the College of Emporia sending a "missionary wife" to the Philippines; and Wells College making itself felt in Persia through its representative in Teheran. The poster repro-



Poster used at Wells College.

duced is a bit of the publicity which collected $2,500 from 225 girls in three days.

There are some leaps perhaps not so long, but *ahead* just the same; the Presbyterian Colleges are continuing their interest in the College of Tokyo, and some have increased their annual gifts.

It is encouraging to match up the phrase in the list of needs, "Nurses everywhere," with a report from a summer conference, that the Presbyterian representative was given the charge of the student-nurse delegation, numbering 38, two of whom are now definitely considering foreign service, and all of whom wish that work presented to their fellow-nurses in their various hospitals.

Every year, we are glad to say, more of our "employers"—all the women of all the missionary societies of all the churches—find their way to Room 636, 156 Fifth Avenue. Perhaps some have noted its modest proportions, and have echoed in thought the man who desperately surveyed his new office from outside the door, and said: "It would be a cosy little office—with no one in it!" One of the "cosiest" seasons of the year is the summer time, when the one secretary in charge shares her space with an imposing array of card indexes and lists—working for *you*. She is compiling a list—as full as possible—of the "wild young people" (feminine gender, Presbyterian persuasion), who have graduated from college the preceding June, to be sent via the districts to the Presbyterial officers, and thence to the local churches. These girls will be scattering their wildness and their youth over the land; will you be catching and using any of it? Surely in your town there is at least one—a young bride, a teacher, a daughter at home, a business girl. Is the church in your town going to give her a chance to work with the young people, to train the children, to use in the community the powers of group-leadership developed in college? All her college life we have been talking to *her* about this; this is our chance to talk to *you*.

As her year begins in the wide, wide world, we are meeting her younger sisters in the college world. Have you written us about Presbyterian girls going from your town to college? Do you know of a college where there are Presbyterian girls whom you would like us to meet? Would your society like to know about your student work? A postal will bring literature to your door. We are yours to command; help us to feel the backing of all of our "employers" everywhere, as well as of your valiant committee at headquarters. We may invade your prayer meeting, your missionary meeting, or your church service some fine day—it has been done—so watch for us. We are to be found wherever girls are congregating in colleges, and that is almost *everywhere* —in the U. S. A.

So what about "these wild young people?" Shall we not worthily welcome their wildness of enthusiasm and energy, and the youth of their spirit, and go forward together to the Church's crusade—*a conflict for a Christian world?*

Both the Woman's Boards of Foreign Missions and of Home Missions have recognized their responsibility in the matter of Stewardship. They BELIEVE THAT

(1) In order to carry out the Missionary program, a new and far higher standard of giving is called for.

(2) In order to raise the standard, it is necessary to lead the whole membership of the Church to give, not only systematically, but also proportionately.

(3) In order to secure the fruits of Stewardship in the Church, its roots must be planted in the home.

(4) To realize this result, woman's effectual cooperation is indispensable, and the place of all others to secure this cooperation in a concerted way is through the Woman's Society.

The following action has therefore been taken:

"THAT the duty of cultivating the grace of Stewardship be assigned as the duty of one of the Vice-Presidents in Synodical and Presbyterial Societies."

Miss Ellen Quick, of the Stewardship Department of the New Era Movement, who is also in touch with the Woman's Foreign Board, writes the following facts regarding

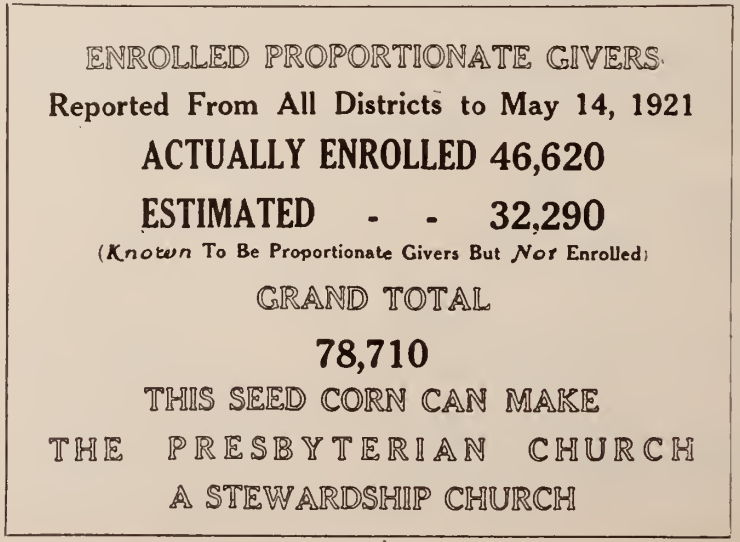
Stewardship Promotion

What good news concerning Stewardship promotion these past two years?

Believing as we do that thorough consecration is impossible without the recognition of Stewardship obligations, and, vice versa, that with Stewardship acknowledgement, dedication of personality and purse is sure to be evidenced, we are not so greatly surprised to note the report of advance made in the contributions of our churches to the Benevolent Boards of our Church during these past two years. The total gifts for Benevolences passing through the hands of our churches in the last two years has been doubled and amounts now to $10,328,124. The great advance in the number of proportionate givers opens the way for extending the influence of those enrolled to enlist the rest of the membership.

Special effort is to be turned the coming season toward enlisting the youth of our land. At a recent meeting of the United Stewardship Council, representing a large majority of the Evangelical Churches of the United States, a suggestive program for Young People's Societies in individual churches was presented, as follows:

1. In each Young People's Society there should be appointed a Stewardship Representative who will keep in touch with the Stewardship member of the church committee.
2. Stewardship materials for young people should be secured from the Stewardship Department at denominational headquarters.
3. Two devotional meetings of the Society should be given over exclusively to Stewardship—one at the beginning of the season, the other at the time of the Church-wide enrollment.



Stewardship Poster.

4. Following the first devotional Stewardship meeting, there should be held a semi-social gathering designated as "Stewardship Evening," when either the dialogue, "Starting Right," or "Accounting that Counts," will be presented by members of the Society. There should be opportunity for questions and discussion afterward. Copies of the personal account books should be available.

   Members of the congregation should be invited. Where two or three societies are within a short distance of each other, this could be made a union affair with a social time following the presentation of the dialogue.
5. A series of the Young People's meetings in the course of each year should be devoted to systematic study of Stewardship, with a textbook.
6. Enrollment should be made at the close of this course, and be individually followed up with a view to enlisting every member.

In one case recently reported, the Young People's Society secured a 100 per cent enrollment of its own membership, and then proceeded to widen the circle in the congregation at large. The effect of the example set by the young people was electric and the result was most satisfactory. And the leaven keeps on leavening!

The Sunday School, too, is but another field where Stewardship seed should be sown among the young. In the Adult Bible Classes the thirteen Biblical lessons, "Christian Stewardship" (Board of Publication), are recommended for the last quarter of the year. Where it is not possible to introduce them at that time, they should be put on for the first quarter of the following year. After such a course it ought to be comparatively easy to secure the enrollment of all who have studied these lessons.

Let us fervently pray these coming months that the youth of our Church and the women whose influence as mothers and home-makers is supreme, may more fully awaken in regard to their Stewardship obligations and be able to say from their hearts:

> "Take my LIFE and let it be
> Consecrated, Lord, to thee;
> Take my silver and my gold,
> Not a mite would I withhold."

that God may be glorified and His Kingdom come quickly.

Joint Literature Department

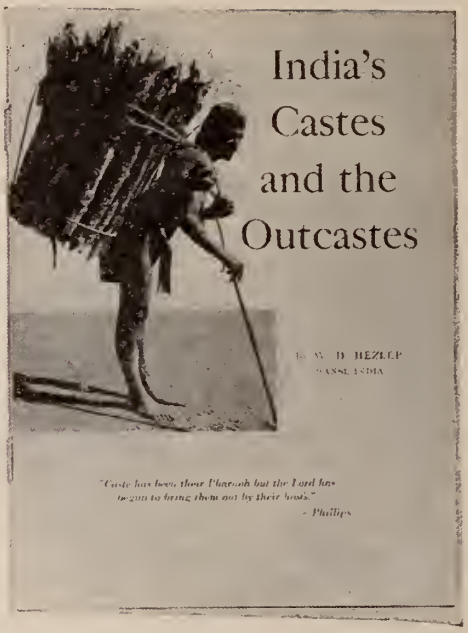
The new national joint literature salesroom was established in May of this year in Room 920, and here all the publications of both the Boards can be obtained. The offices at either side of the salesroom are occupied by the publicity representatives of these two Boards. From the pen of one—*Mrs. Mills*—come the following notes:

At the five depositories literature is being received in such quantities as desired, and while any orders received at national Literature Headquarters are filled there, every effort is made to direct to the local salesrooms orders from their own constituencies.

A new Publicity Secretary was recently added to the staff, and plans are now under way for handling a general publicity campaign. It is the aim of the Department, not only to cultivate the Presbyterial Literature Secretaries, but also to get in touch with local newspapers throughout the country where the Presbyterian Church takes precedent. The Publicity Department is essentially a department of service where all suggestions are thankfully received and all questions cheerfully answered. Its purpose is to publish such literature as is best fitted for the needs of each community. This coming year particular emphasis will be laid on getting out attractive and stimulating stories for children. It is hoped that a

broader contact will be established by means of a clip sheet to be sent throughout the country semi-monthly to church and local papers, giving all news of the Woman's Board, from the angle of the home base as well as the field.

As the function of publicity is to get information to all interested in the work, the Publication Department would welcome literary contributions. We want especially personality stories which could be adapted to children as well as stories of interest to adults. Any news material concerning our work on the field is of value and interest and most earnestly desired. And please do not forget photographs if you have any new ones. We need lots of pictures.



Steadfast in Face of Threats

(MRS. H. W.) ALICE M. BROWN

Nine miles from Sangli lies a village, rather difficult of access and little visited by missionaries. The caste people of the town evidently have a great suspicion of us, for when the Mangs, after much teaching and very reluctant hearing, finally had a change of heart and became urgent in their requests for baptism, the village authorities and the rich Gujarati merchants of the place did all they could to prevent them. On one day eleven men were made enquirers with solemnity and the declaration that they were now Christians on trial, fully saved if they believed with all their hearts, even without understanding. After the news of the visit and its intent reached the town, the enquirers were called to the town hall and promised glowing favors if only they would not become Christians. When this failed to move them, they were threatened with the confiscation of their fields and a prohibition to enter the town or go out to work in the fields. They were told they were not even to let their "sahib" enter the town, as he would be thrown out.

In the face of all these threats, which the people in their ignorance and fear of village injustice fully believed, seven more men stood up and declared that they wished to be Christians, no matter what they had to suffer. They too were made enquirers. And there was rejoicing and simple trust that God would care for them and help them to bear whatever might come to them. Then the town was visited and the opposition found to be very real, though none attempted to throw Mr. Bryan out, much to his disappointment.

A few days later the bank of the poor Indian—the buffalo—worth Rs. 200 and laboriously reared with careful economy, was poisoned by some enemy, presumably the local despicable police. There was no witness, no retribution, the village patil refusing to call a town council for investigation unless he received a bribe. In the face of this, however, the people have grown under their trials, and when we baptize them we hope for more of the same material to strengthen the fabric of our Christian building.

This is only one of the many instances that might be given to show that there is indeed a turning towards Christ in spite of all that Satan and his hosts can do.

United Educational Department

(HOME BASE)

GERTRUDE SCHULTZ

The educational work for foreign missions of the Assembly's and the Woman's Boards is planned and promoted by a United Educational Department. The Educational Secretaries of the two Boards have connecting offices, common files, and plan the work as one so that an adequate, unified program for Foreign Missions may be presented to the *whole* Church.

The Desire of All Nations.
(Mission Study Poster).

The program and material for 1921-22 is full of rich possibilities for enlisting *every* member of *every* church. As a basic study of the foreign missionary enterprise we have "The Why and How of Foreign Missions," re-written by our own Dr. Arthur J. Brown. "The Kingdom and the Nations" shows the foundations of the kingdom of Christ which have been laid by this enterprise and brings the challenge that real Christians can lift the crushing burdens of the world.

For the teen-age, for the juniors and even for the little tots there are fascinating study books, picture stories, picture sheets, cut outs, little sets of slides—everything to make the work real and of vital interest to the boys and girls.

Did *your* church have a School of Missions or an enthusiastic Study Class last year? Or was the year a lost one be-

cause you were not inspired by this whole scheme of study, and would not lend your personality, and interest as a leader or as a promoter of a class? Make a change this year and put this Educational Department into your church. Be

Enthusiastic for promoting the program and
Devoted to the great objective by
Uniting all the organizations of your church in a
Church School of Missions.
Announce and advertise it well, secure
Trained leaders from the church for
Intensive study classes.
One for men, one for women, one for young people, one for children.
Nurture this aroused interest.
Arrange for a pageant or play.
Lead your whole church into active work for the Kingdom among the Nations.

Do it *now*.
Enlist your committees.
Pray believingly and constantly.
Trust for big results.

A SUMMER SCHOOL IN INDIA

A class in the summer school with Seminary Student for teacher.

Students preparing Chipatis (bread) for the lunch.

Our Missionaries in India

The list of the missionaries in India will not appear in this issue, but as India is covered in two numbers of the magazine, September and October, it has been thought best to wait for the October number and then publish the names in full rather than divide the list and have part in September.

CHANGES IN THE MISSIONARY FORCE

ARRIVALS:

At New York, July, 1921—Rev. and Mrs. George H. Scherer from Syria. Address, 2824 Xavier St., Denver, Colo.

At Seattle, July 1—Rev. and Mrs. John R. Lyon of North China. Address, 824 W. Macon St., Decatur, Ill.

At ———, July 9—Dr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Bercovitz from Hainan. Address, 2595 Buena Vista Ave., Berkeley, Cal.

At Philadelphia, July 10—Miss Effie I. Dinkelacker and Miss Bertha L. Dinkelacker, of Shantung University Medical School. Address, care of Harry F. Dinkelacker, 227 Parson St., Philadelphia, Pa.

At Vancouver, July 11—Dr. and Mrs. Samuel P. Tipton of Chosen. Address, 1268 Market St., Sunbury, Pa.; Miss Sallie Alexander of Japan. Address, 156 Fifth Ave., New York; Miss Matilda H. London of Japan. Address, care of J. F. Campbell, R. F. D. No. 1, Box 69a, Seattle, Wash.; Miss Sarah F. Clarke of Japan. Address, Midway, Ky.

At New York, July 18—Rev. and Mrs. R. H. H. Goheen of W. India. Address, Wooster, Ohio.

At San Francisco, June 7—Miss Edna Cole from Siam. Address, 2217 Jule St., St. Joseph, Mo.

At Boston, July —,—Rev. J. W. Hawkes of East Persia. Address, 7 Midland Road, Wellesley, Mass.

DEPARTURES:

From Vancouver, July 16—Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Mather and two children, returning to N. China.

From Vancouver, July 21—Mr. Leon C. Bocker; Mr. and Mrs. R. M. White, returning to C. China; Dr. and Mrs. H. M. McCandliss, returning to Hainan; Dr. Clementine C. Bash, returning to N. China.

From San Francisco, July 21—Miss Jessie Riker, returning to Japan.

From New York, July 26—Rev. and Mrs. H. C. Velte; Rev. and Mrs. Burl T. Schuyler, returning to the Punjab Mission; Mr. Omer C. Johnson, to join the Punjab Mission; Rev. Edwin C. Howe, returning to S. China.

From San Francisco, July 30—Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Irwin, returning to Shantung; Rev. and Mrs. A. A. Fulton and Miss Grace Fulton, returning to S. China; Miss Juniata Ricketts, returning to C. China; Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Clark and two children, returning to Chosen; Rev. and Mrs. D. C. Buchanan, to join the Japan Mission.

DEATH:

On June 18, 1921, at Ponta Nova, Brazil, Mrs. W. W. Wood. Appointed 1916.

RESIGNATION:

On June 29, Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Sharp, of Chosen. Appointed 1900.

THE WORD FIRST

The medical work at Kodoli is carried on by an Indian medical assistant under the direction of Miraj Hospital, he having received his training at the Miraj Medical School under Dr. Wanless and Dr. Vail. Dr. Vail recently paid a visit to the hospital and dispensary.

Notices had been sent to the town officers of 31 towns in this vicinity to let all the people know of his coming; so he found the dispensary full of people. He had 215 cases to examine. First of all he had the people sit still while he spoke a few words and read a passage from the Bible. He read the question, "Who is my neighbor?" and told how the Lord had shown him while he was in America that the people here in India were his neighbors because they needed help and healing; then he read the story of the Good Samaritan. The pastor of the church also spoke on that subject. The service closed with prayer. The patients were then examined and those who needed operations sent to the hospital. After several hours of this work, Dr. Vail went to the hospital, where there was a crowd waiting. The first case was an old man with a cataract in his eye. Then followed several abdominal cases. It was long after dark when the doctor concluded his work and there were still many people waiting.

They were left to be cared for by the medical assistant the next day, as Dr. Vail had to get back to Miraj that night.

Northfield Service Girls and Flag

MARCIA KERR

'Neath the pines of our old Northfield,
Here friendships we've made;
And we've studied and played,
'Neath the pines of our old Northfield.

So sang the girls in Camp Westminster during the days of the Foreign Summer School—and they meant it, too! For Friendship—written in large letters—was the keynote to the call for service sounded at all the meetings.

There were sixty-five enthusiastic girls in Westminster, "tenting" in the Gymnasium. No one knows until she has slept in the Gym what echoes are aroused by merely turning over in bed. Nor can one imagine with what rumblings a misplaced bowling ball can journey over a wooden floor after lights are out and all are supposedly asleep! But the nearness, and the fact that we must each think of the others, brought out a splendid camp spirit which can never die. Friendship was not, however, confined just to the girls in Westminster. It included many among the more than 700 girls in eight other denominational camps.

Through the Bible Study Classes where the discussion was based on the Book of Acts, as well as on certain other textbooks, such as "The Meaning of Service," the great Friend became more real to every girl, and made more precious the human friendships which were begun or strengthened there. Could anyone study "World Friendship, Inc.," without feeling more interested in our known and unknown friends around the world? All the courses were seemingly planned with Presbyterian girls in mind—for in addition to methods in various forms of organizations, Dr. Brown's "The Why and

How of Foreign Missions," to be used by Westminster Guild Chapters, was studied.

"All work and no play" would make a dull week, and there were many opportunities for play. Every meal, except on Sunday, was a gay time of play. No leader was left in peace, but must be ready with song, speech, poem, or smile for that unknown moment when the girls would sing, "Stand up, Miss ——, stand up." Only when the girls were satisfied did they sing the welcome words, "Sit down." There were camp sings, hikes, rides, swims, the camp picnic in the Pine Grove, when everyone who had a "stunt" must perform for the benefit of the rest, and last, but not least, the Bonfire, where all nine camps marched in singing as a unit, "Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory," and each camp had an opportunity to use its own favorite songs.

All through the week the girls studied and played. They received much inspiration from the lectures on the "Kingdom and the Nations," the missionary addresses in the Auditorium, the beautiful pageant prepared and carried out by the camp girls, the Rally on Sunday night when missionaries from many lands were on the platform, and the vesper services on Round Top. Probably the two services which made the deepest impression were held the last night. At the Round Top service a representative from each camp spoke on "What Northfield Has Meant to Me." The power of prayer and the friendship of Jesus were most strongly emphasized. All the girls "having touched Him" gave thanks for His power in their lives. The other service was the dedication of the Northfield Summer School Service Flag, with a star for every girl who had been at the Foreign Conference before leaving for her field of service. The flag was slowly lowered so that seven new stars might be added—each one named for a girl who was on the platform. Then came the prayer, the welcome to the field, and the raising of the flag while the audience sang, "Fling Out the Banner."

Not a few were stirred to a greater

determination to make the most of their lives, perhaps on the foreign field. Many heart-breaking problems were smoothed out by friendliness and prayer. No girl went away without realizing how human all of Christ's children can be.

Northfield is no different in its results from any other Summer Conference. The delegates are a different group from those at a Presbyterian Young People's Conference or one held by the Missionary Education Movement. But this is only because the delegate chooses the one she wants most to attend. There are at all the same calls to service, whether at home or abroad, the same challenge to fill to the utmost the place that awaits each delegate.

Are you thinking of that delegate from your church who is coming back with many hopes and plans? Or are you thinking of those girls and boys who might have gone to a conference if some older person had made it possible? Do you realize that you might have received benefit if you had gone this year? Begin to make plans now for next year. You have more than fifty conferences from which to choose!

Hindu Man and Wife—Non-Christian.

Christian Bridal Couple.

The groom in this picture at the right is a graduate of Sangli and is now in charge of the Poultry Department of the Industrial School. The bride is a graduate of the Esther Patton School, Kolhapur, and it would do your heart good to see how they both are "making good." They have had a chance such as the little Hindu husband and wife may never get. The above couple are the young hopefuls India most needs. Photos from R. H. Goheen.

EDITORIAL NOTES

It will be of interest to the readers of Woman's Work who are also readers of the *New Era Magazine,* to know that the General Assembly in session at Winona Lake, Indiana, May 19-26, committed the management of the latter magazine to the Boards and Agencies of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. A Committee of Management has been appointed by the Secretaries of the several Boards and Agencies, the name of the magazine has been changed to *The Presbyterian Magazine,* and Rev. James H. Snowden, D.D., has been elected Editor.

This magazine is intended for the promotion of the benevolent and missionary activities of the whole Church. It will have an editorial department which will discuss such subjects as pertain to its purpose and will awaken the Church to the need and magnitude of the Christian task *in the world.* It is hoped and urged that all pastors, workers, and members will assist in every way in giving the new periodical entrance into all our churches and homes.

The latest despatch from the West Persian missionaries contains the welcome news that all of the Tabriz missionaries who had to leave their station during the winter of 1920-21 have now returned to Tabriz, except Mrs. Jessup, Mr. and Mrs. Muller and children, Mr. and Mrs. Bentley, Miss Gillespie, and Miss Guild. Mrs. Jessup did not return with them as she is coming to America on furlough. The old missionaries of the Urumia station, Mr. and Mrs. Muller, Mr. Bentley, Miss Gillespie, and Miss Guild, are remaining to look after their present work in connection with the Assyrian Christians in Hamadan, Kermanshah, and Mesopotamia. It is inferred from the despatch that the new missionaries who went out last fall assigned to West Persia have now gone on to Tabriz, namely, Dr. and Mrs. Cochran, Rev. and Mrs. Dillener, Mr. Groseclose, Miss McKinney, and Miss Pease. A cable received July 13th states that Dr. and Mrs. Lamme, Mr. and Mrs. Gifford and children, Miss J. Wells, Miss M. E. Johnson, and Dr. and Mrs. Cochran have arrived.

There are other strong reinforcements going out to Persia this year via India and Mesopotamia.

Two small deputations have gone out from the homeland this summer to visit some of the missions. The first of these sailed from New York on June 9th for the West Africa Mission. The Commission consisted of Mr. J. M. Patterson of St. Louis, the Southern District Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, and Rev. W. H. Hudnut, D.D., and Mrs. Hudnut, of Youngstown, Ohio. Dr. Hudnut's church has granted him six months' leave of absence, and has made generous financial provision to cover the expense of his and Mrs. Hudnut's trip. The Commission will spend approximately six weeks in the West Africa Mission and then visit the Syria Mission before returning to America.

The other deputation consists of Mr. Robert E. Speer, Senior Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, Mr. Russell Carter, Associate Treasurer of the Board, and Mr. Henry H. Welles, 2nd, of the Class of 1921, Princeton University. In the case of this deputation, also, the expense is only in part a charge on mission funds. The deputation expects to spend three months in India and then go on to Persia to share with the missions in the problems of re-establishment of the work in Urumia, Resht, and other stations.

There are difficult problems arising from the adjustment of responsibility between the missions and the India churches, and in Persia, where war has wrought greater devastation in the mission work than in any other field of our Church, there is need of long, mutual study and wise plans by representatives both of the missions on the field and of the Church at home.

ALONG THE LINE OF HOME BASE ACTIVITIES is a *New Challenge to American Women* which was voiced in the questions that faced a group of representative Christian women who met recently in the office of the World's Sunday School Association in New York City. The Woman's Boards of Foreign Missions were represented, and on the Committee is the President of our own Board, Miss Margaret E. Hodge. "How shall American women meet the call for moral and religious training from the 400,000,000 of the world's childhood and youth that have not had their chance?" "How shall they answer the quest of the girlhood of the world for light, for the chance to express their individuality in service?" "How shall the appeal of the world's mothers for Christ and a Christian home atmosphere be answered?"

The need first faced was China's 200,000,000 under twenty years of age, and the girl factory operatives in Japan. The women decided that these needs must be met by training and sending from America young women of vision and ability as specialists for work for children and girls, and it was suggested that Women's Boards of Foreign Missions, among other organizations, might easily become the supporters of individual workers for children, girls, and homes in China, Chosen, Japan, the Philippines, India, and the Moslem fields. They also decided as a goal for the next four years to place a worker in each field for the children, the older girls, and the home, believing that such work offered a tremendously fruitful field for the winning and training of a generation.

THE HALSEY MEMORIAL FUND, to the date of our going to press, August 1st, amounts to nearly $30,000. There is no date for the closing of contributions to this Fund, so that anyone who has not already expressed his or her appreciation of friendship with this man of God may do so now. "Say it with flowers" only comparatively few could do, but anyone may *say it with a gift* which will live in the printed page for the African and Syrian, and in the uplifting education for the youth of Mexico. It is of interest to note that the gifts already received have come from all over the U. S. A. and from some of the mission fields. Not only that, but in connection with the gift of the clerical force which was the nucleus of the Fund, gifts have come from former members of the force, two of them now in mission service.

THE STUDENT COMMITTEE of the Women's Boards takes great pleasure in announcing the appointment of Miss Rose Dulles Wilson, of Pasadena, Cal., as its new Field Secretary. Miss Wilson is a daughter of the late Dr. S. G. Wilson and Mrs. Wilson, who were formerly stationed at Tabriz. She is a graduate of Vassar College in the class of 1915, and has but recently returned from more than a year's service with the Near East Relief Commission in Constantinople. This experience, together with the background of a childhood in Persia, as well as decided natural gifts, will enable Miss Wilson to be of most effective service to the Student Committee, who feel most fortunate in securing her.

ANOTHER VETERAN HAS FALLEN in Syria, although not now in active service for the Board of Foreign Missions. Miss Emilia Thomson, whose death was reported by the Syria Mission in July, was born in Syria of missionary parents, and from 1876 for many years served the Mission in the American School for Girls in Beirut. Since her retirement from active service, she has continued in Beirut, impressing her "beautiful personality and influence in all that region." A letter was received by one of the Syria missionaries from a former mission boy, now the head of a large printing establishment in Cairo, and for many years editor of the leading newspaper and magazine of Egypt. He wrote of the helpful influence and inspiration to their lives which her life and influence had exerted and spoke of her as "a saint."

Deccan Famine Sketch

(Mrs. H. K.) Adelaide F. Wright

The sun was setting red behind the mountains. The garden gate clicked, then banged shut behind a small ragamuffin of eight or thereabouts, who came unhesitatingly up to the veranda where we sat.

"Here I am," he announced clearly and with a tone of finality. "I have no father, mother, nor any other relatives, so I've walked from Takli, begging scraps along the way." He was so cheerful about this hard luck story that we rather doubted its veracity and suspected designing relatives skulking around in the background. He was just as glib when cross-questioned, however, so the Principal Sahib sent him over to the boys' hostel for the night, until further inquiries could be made about him. Some boys from his town verified his story the next day. His parents had been carried off several years previously by plague, and his sole surviving relative, an older brother, had kept an eye on him until this dreadful famine had forced him to go to Bombay for work, leaving the plucky little shaver to shift for himself.

What to do with him the Sahib did not know. He was put to it now to make ends meet and to give the schoolboys in his care three simple meals a day. He would not take a single other boy into the hostel, to say nothing about setting a precedent which, in days of distress like the present, would be dangerous and unjust; for, if he did, there would soon be hundreds of applicants for his bounty as worthy as this youngster. The only hope for the child was to apply for him to an orphanage where they welcomed children whose relatives would never claim them. A letter was written the same day to such an institution.

Meanwhile, it was pure joy to see the manly little waif enjoy his new and carefree life. A clean white shirt was made ready for him, to replace the scant and filthy rags which he wore on his arrival. Before presenting him with it, the Sahib inquired whether he had had a bath since he came.

"Sahib," was the answer, "I eat and eat and then I feel so happy that I just sit down in the sun and don't want to do anything else." Who knows whether the child had ever had more than one scant meal a day before in all his pathetic life?

After the suggested bath had been taken, it was a glad sight to watch his beaming face upon being presented with the new garment. He donned it on the spot and fairly strutted away to display his gorgeousness to his new boy friends. It was the simplest, roughest sort of a shirt, reaching barely halfway to his knees, but it was clean and whole, and the little lad felt luxuriously clad.

The answer to the letter came without delay and in the affirmative. So the Sahib fitted the child out with another shirt and a sheet designed to drape around his legs during the day, and to roll up in at night, according to the fashion of the country. Much to the amusement of all, little Bhau preferred to wind it on to his his head for a turban. Why cover one's legs if one can cover one's head?

Good-byes to his new, and perhaps first real friends were said as cheerfully as his first greetings to them. Hope, enjoyment of life, and the spirit of adventure were evidently always uppermost in his makeup. Perhaps this time his optimism was due to the exciting thought that he was soon to see and ride on a train for the first time in his life.

We watched him trudge away with the teacher in whose charge he went, with mixed feelings, for we had grown fond of the child during his brief sojourn with us. But we knew that he was going where he would be so kindly loved and cared for that he would never miss near-relatives, for he was going from heathendom and suffering into a corner of the Kingdom of God. But, oh! how we wished there were just such a place ready for every child who came hungry and shivering to our door!

On Tour

(MRS. H. E.) MARY B. ANDERSON

Upon reaching Kudani (in the Ludhiana field), we found all the Christians had gone away. It was hot and the place seemed quite deserted. The rag-flag of the low-castes hung limp above their crude, mud place of worship. We sat down in the empty house of a Christian; it was open, with a growly dog at the door. Basant Singh had walked the six miles from Bhiki, Patras rode his pony and I my bicycle.

We were all three tired and dusty. Three wasps kept up a steady buzzing in one corner of the smoke-covered ceilings. The growly dog yawned deeply and dozed off.

After a bit we learned from a passing lad that five of the youths of the Christian community had died very suddenly since our visit of the year before. This is the second evidence of the apparent return of the horrible plague—so quick, so decisive, so thorough in its awful work. Patras said: "Let's go home." Besant Singh yawned and agreed. What could we do? It was suggested that we might go farther into the village among the non-Christians and preach to them. "It would be no use," I was told. "The harvest is ripe and all the men are out in the field." "Well, then, let's pray."

So we turned to the old, old Book, ever new; and in the fifth chapter of the Revelation we read about the sealed book and the heart-broken onlooker who found no one worthy to open the book. Then the chapter takes on momentum as the Lamb, standing as though it had been slain, appears on the scene, and we are carried on the wings of a glorious chorus of ten thousands times ten thousand and thousands of thousands pealing forth the anthem of everlasting joy: "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honor, and glory, and blessing," and the chapter ends in an oratorio of thundering splendor. We three in the deserted, smoke-ceilinged hut were humbled and awe-stricken. "Is this our Gospel, our Message, our life?" we asked one another. "Then to our knees for power to present it." And as the prayer continued, the place took on a new meaning, and we walked out into the deserted village past the heathen rag-flag, determined to conquer in His Name. One sleepy, ash-covered mendicant was all we met at the first door. He informed us that the village was absolutely abandoned; he had begged at the empty doorways and come away empty-handed. A single farmer at the second town-gate told us he was the only one around. We sat down, and soon a couple of more listless individuals sauntered up. Basant Singh started to sing; then twenty-one appeared. We began to preach, and the narrow alley-ways began to turn out listeners. The more we preached the more they turned out. The roadway became blocked with squatting, silent hearers. They kept us there over an hour and a half, until we were all three quite hoarse. They crowded close to see the colored Christ-pictures. They urged us to come again—these simple, needy, heart-hungry, lost ones, for whom the Lamb was slain.

CONSIDERATE BRAHMANS

According to the regulations of the government's educational department in Kodoli, India, the same man may not come to conduct the annual examination of the school more than three years in succession.

These Brahman gentlemen have been uniformly kind and considerate in their dealings with the school children. When it is remembered that these children are considered "untouchable" in the light of Hinduism, this kindness is all the more remarkable. One inspector, placing his hand on the head of a little girl (a touch that would be defiling in the eyes of the orthodox Hindus), said to us, "I consider that this little girl's soul is as pure as mine."

The woman at whose house the inspector was staying required him to take a bath to wash off the contamination of our school children, before he entered her house; this year she would not have the inspector come at all, so he stayed in the town court house.

KODOLI. HENRY G. HOWARD.

Getting Impressions

Florence E. Schafer

Miss Schafer is a recruit of this present year, 1921.

Ever since the white stone building near the pier at Bombay first dawned on our sight last February, I have been getting impressions of India. But I find that first impressions are wont to change. We reached Bombay at an auspicious time and saw the city in her festive attire, for she was doing honor to the Duke of Connaught and the streets were gay with flags. I liked the turban headdress of the Indian soldier, it is very attractive. For ourselves we found very readily that we needed topees, as the sun was warm and our American hats gave little protection. Mr. Bryan acted as our guide and ushered us through the English stores until we were properly and satisfactorily fitted out. He said he had not had so much fun since he came to India. We were a large party of newly arrived lady missionaries and he took the responsibility for all of us.

I am wondering if Bombay civilization is typical of all India. I have not seen enough yet to judge. The intermingling of the local native coloring with the superimposed English civilization, each so distinct and yet so intertwined, was very interesting. On the wide-paved Esplanade Road the slow-moving bullock carts went among the autos and the tramcars; the tiny native shop with the wares in full display in the open was near the large department stores, with their big show windows and full display of English styles and goods; and the motley throng that crowded the streets—I was fascinated by it. Every variety of costume I could imagine seemed to pass before me: the English business man in his trim suit; the Parsees in their elegant costumes, the women especially attractive in their delicately colored silk lugerdee with beautifully beaded borders; the Indian men in "dother" trousers and turban headdress; and the beggars and cripples in scanty attire, that pressed us at every corner; while often naked little children played in the street. It was all like the light and shadow on the ground as the sunlight falls through the leaves on the trees. But I was glad my work did not lie in the city, and I was relieved to leave the heat and the stir for the quiet of the country.

I shall never forget how refreshing our nurses' bungalow was the morning we reached Miraj. We had had such a dirty ride on the train, with only tolerable comfort. The heat of the day had given way to the chill of the night, and at five o'clock in the morning, when we left the train, I was glad I had worn my winter coat! The sun had not yet risen when the tonga left us on the doorstep of our bungalow. The house was so clean, so homelike, and so comfortable within. Over and over again, as I enjoy the blessings that have been provided for the missionaries, and see the buildings and results of work already accomplished, and compare it with what I have read of the history of the early missionaries, I am reminded of what Christ said to His disciples by the well of Jacob in Samaria, "Others have labored and ye are entered into their labors."

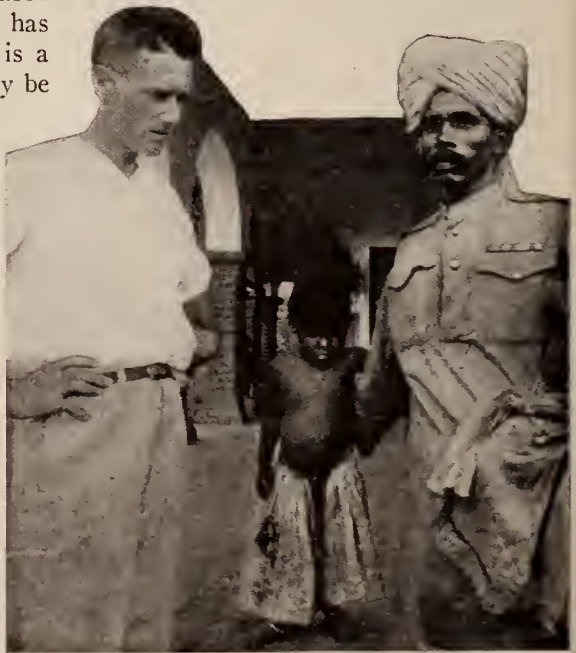
All the country around Bombay and at Miraj was disappointingly dry and barren, and it was not until I came to Mahabaleshwar to attend the language school that I saw the India of my dreams. The hill country is wonderfully beautiful, with its trees, flowers, bird songs, and misty hills in the distance. Mount Douglas, our mission bungalow here, affords a wonderful view of the valley and hills beyond. In the early morning the mists cover the valley and the hills so densely that it looks like mountain banks of snow, and when the sunlight first touches it, one is awed by its beauty. It is not at all surprising that these hills are called Mahabaleshwar —"God of Great Power."

We have had several picnics to some of the historic spots around here, and they have been a great help to coming into closer touch with India's history, and as I learn more of the people and country I feel certain we have to know their past to understand them and so touch them to help them. The little I know of the language and the little I have learned of their literature leads me to think that God has already prepared a way for the proclaiming of the message of Christ, and that there is a vital point of contact with this people. Of course I am speaking of the Marathi-Hindu literature.

I have had a few opportunities to talk with my pundit during our hour in daily language study. He is a Brahman of very strong convictions generations old, and Christianity appears to him as being very narrow. He accepted a marked copy of St. John's Gospel, with the promise to read it. This morning he told me that he respected the strong faith of the missionaries and the joy and unselfishness that were expressed in their lives, but until he could understand our teachings from the standpoint of reason, he refused to accept them. What Christianity has done for the lower classes in India is a great testimony to its power, and may be a means finally of reaching the higher classes. When the educated people are Christanized, I believe it will sweep the country more rapidly. Perhaps some of you, who know India much better than I, will smile at my bold opinions.

I had such a fleeting glimpse of the hospital at Miraj, as I was there only three days, that I scarcely know yet what my work will be. But I am convinced that it is a very, very busy place, and that I will find plenty to do. That I shall have to adapt my ideals of nursing to suit the circumstances is certain. The lack of rainfall seems to be the most serious problem. All the water used on the mission compound is hauled five miles on bullock carts and, of course, is treasured accordingly. I cannot imagine myself doing nursing without plenty of water, so it is a big opportunity for ingenuity and economy. I trust my home missionary training has developed both traits.

I am deeply thankful for the joy and peace that have been mine constantly since coming. Sometimes the mail from home has been delayed and some days the language has seemed insurmountable and the strangeness and newness confusing, but I have wrapped me round with an abiding trust that is most strengthening and comforting, and always His grace has proved sufficient. Two letters which I have received since coming have been of great help to me. One quoted the two kinds of trusting: "What time I am afraid, I will trust in Thee" and "In God have I put my trust, I will not be afraid." The other letter said, "I am expecting great things of you, simply because it is said, 'If ye ask, I will do,' and I am asking daily." So it is no wonder that such peace has been mine when I know that the unfailing omnipotence of God is around me and the prayers of faith of friends at home are back of me.



A Sweeper Christian just back from three years' service as sweeper and conservancy man with the Indian army. He wants his two little girls put in the boarding 'school at Kasganj, for he has to return to army service, and the mother is now another man's wife. Photo from Glenn B. Ogden.

Book Stall

Julia L. Mills

MONTHLY TOPIC: INDIA and HOME BASE

Helps for the Month

Then and Now India . . . . . 5c.
By H. D. Griswold, Ph.D.

The Story of Ganesh the Leper . . . . 2c.
By Mrs. R. C. Richardson.

Girlhood Days in India . . . . . 3c.
By Jean Mateer Beeman.

The War Came to India Bringing Gifts . 6c.
By Oscar MacMillan Buck.

India's Women Are Finding Themselves . 4c.
By A. Estelle Paddock.

Plays and Pageants

A Missionary Musical Pageant . . . . 5c.
Symbolic Music, Verse, and Living Pictures by Mrs. T. E. Adams.

The Lifting Hands . . . . . 25c.
By Anita B. Ferris.

The Clinic of a Missionary Specialist . . 8c.
Good for an Auxiliary, Young People's Organization or Mission Study Conference.

Two Masters . . . . . 10c.
By Bertha Cooper Fraser.
It Sparkles for Young or Old.

Tired of Missions . . . . . 8c.
By Katherine Young Thaxter.
Every Westminster Guild girl likes it.

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Full of local color and pathos.

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By Mrs. B. B. Comegys.
A Dialogue with lots of pep.

Little Lights . . . . . 15c. per doz.
A Missionary Exercise for small tots.

New Books and Leaflets

The Mission Study Class Leader, 75c. in paper; $1.50 in cloth
By T. H. P. Sailer.
The only Manual for study class leaders. It contains full instructions covering methods and aims.

World Friendship Incorporated . 50c. and 75c.
By J. Lovell Murray.
Covers various types of work and is a fascinating book.

Programs for 1921-1922 are on the press . 5c.

Practical Hints . . . . . Free
How to Organize and Conduct a Missionary Society. It is new and is a joint publication with the Home Board. Send for it.

The Why and How of Foreign Missions (revised) . . . . . 50c. and 75c.
By Arthur J. Brown, D. D.

The Kingdom and the Nations . 50c. and 75c.
By Eric M. North.

A Noble Army . . . . . 40c. and 65c.
By Ethel Daniels Hubbard.

Under Many Flags . . . . 40c. and 65c.
By Katherine Scherer Cronk and Elsie Singmaster.

Missionary Hymnal (revised) . 18c. postpaid

NOTE

Inquire for Mission and Station Sketches on India now in course of preparation.

STUDYING EDUCATION

The younger son of the Maharajah was killed two years ago last May. He was boar-hunting and accidentally fell from his horse, breaking his neck. He was taken to the Miraj Hospital, where he died a few hours later. The boy had been married a little over a year and the young widow, instead of being subjected to the usual rough treatment of widows in this country, is receiving the special attention of His Highness. He thought at first to have her study medicine, and then decided that was impracticable, as one in her station could not practice. His more recent idea is to have her study education and put her in charge of educational work in the State. He has surrounded her with companions, one from each of the different castes of the people.

NEEDED

India needs your prayers. We missionaries need your prayers. Individual Christians need your prayers. A man was baptized last November from among good caste Hindus. Immediately a storm of abuse broke upon him and he was boycotted by all his former friends and relations. But he remained faithful. Then he married a Christian widow, a convert from the low caste people, and a fresh outburst of persecution followed. After this the Sikhs tried to get him to renounce Christianity and become a Sikh, and also the Mohammedans urged him to become a Mohammedan, but through it all he has stood firm in his faith in Christ. Now, in chagrin, some Sikhs are bringing a law suit against him, falsely charging him with theft and criminal assault! Pray that he may come safely through the fires of persecution. His faithful witnessing in that far off village filled with the darkness of heathenism will mean a lot to the Church of the future, especially in Hoshyarpur District. *A. B. Gould.*

HOME DEPARTMENT

Needed—$10,000 for Our Summer Offering

WHY? The WOMAN'S BOARD HAS ASSUMED this amount for the purchase of *new machinery* for the Beirut Printing Press.

Have you sent to your District Headquarters for the leaflets and envelopes for the offering?

In the Districts

MABEL M. ROYS

It will be a source of gratification to our constituency throughout the country to know that at last the National Board has found a Young People's Secretary. Miss Faye A. Steinmetz, of Portland, Oregon, has accepted the call to this position.

She graduated from Drury College (Springfield, Mo.) in 1910, and for the past nine years has been teaching in the primary department of the public schools of Portland, Ore. She has done valuable work as President of the Christian Endeavor State Union of Oregon, and in her capacity as Presbyterial Secretary for Young People's work she has had large opportunities to familiarize herself with the work of our Board among young people.

Miss Steinmetz brings to the work of the Young People's Department rare gifts of leadership and valuable experience. No department of our work presents a more inspiring field, covering as it does almost 4,000 young people's societies (including 500 young women's societies), nearly 1,700 Westminster Guild organizations, and about 2,000 children's societies. All of these will come under the general oversight of the Young People's Secretary. She will also have charge of the organization work of the young people, which is handled by the Districts. In conference with her Committee, she will shape policies, prepare materials needed, publish a quarterly bulletin for young women, one for young people, and one for children. She will plan monthly missionary programs for young people, teach in summer conferences, and speak at Presbyterial and Synodical meetings.

Miss Steinmetz is to arrive in New York August 1st, to take up her position and comes to this important work with the confidence of her many friends and the eager anticipation of effective cooperation on the part of those already in this work.

It is gratifying to report another acquisition to our working force. Miss Mary J. Barry, of Milwaukee, has been appointed by the national Board as a Field Secretary, and assigned to the District of the Northwest. We feel that we have secured a strong worker in Miss Barry. She was an accepted candidate for India, but was hindered from going because of her health. She has been a teacher of English in the Milwaukee High School. She has an attractive and winning personality. We are glad to be able to provide such a worker for the help and the development of the work in the Northwest District.

The largest and most successful Wilson College Summer School of Missions ever held closed July 6th. A varied program offered courses on the home and foreign textbooks, Bible, methods, normal work, and forums on Christian service and pageantry. In spite of the heat, the classes had a large attendance, and the missionary plays, historical presentations, and the pageant were received with enthusiasm. There were 288 Presbyterians enrolled. A service flag with nine stars hung in the auditorium, a silent reminder of the nine missionaries who were claimed by the conference, and letters full of interesting items from the field were read from several of them. A young woman from Japan, Miss Jo, was an interesting figure on the campus, and Marcella Sen, of Korea, contributed much by her quick wit and spiritual vision. One night eight missionaries from the foreign and three from the home field brought messages and made an appeal for more workers. The closing message of the conference was given by Dr. Warfield, President of Wilson College.

The Minnesota Summer School of Missions, held in St. Paul, June 1-8, broke all former records, with a total attendance of 1896 women. Ten denominations were represented, of which the Presbyterians sent the largest delegation. Mrs. Jenks conducted the discussion on "Problems of Americanization," and Mrs. Charles K. Roys led the mission study hour on "The Kingdom and the Nations."

It promises much for the future of our Church in all branches of its work that the National Young Women's Christian Association, in planning its Student Conference this summer, has stressed especially Church Loyalty. To each summer conference the National Y. W. C. A. invited representatives from each denominational Board. From start to finish the programs for the conferences were built up with an idea of stressing the loyalty of college women to their local churches, and such topics as "What a girl may do in her home church," "The college girl and the Home field," "The college girl and the Foreign field," "Definite openings for work," "Preparation and qualifications," were presented, not

only in the conference addresses, but by undergraduates in student forums. Denominational gatherings were planned, at which each denomination presented the opportunities for work awaiting the college girl, and an impressive feature was the marching from the denominational gatherings to the main auditorium, where an inspiring address was given on "The Church" and its claims on students.

At the Y. W. C. A. Student Conference held at Silver Bay on Lake George, June 14-24, our Woman's Boards of Home and Foreign Missions were represented by Miss Mary Ashby Cheek, the Student Secretary, and Mrs. Daniel J. Fleming, of the Foreign Board. There were 147 Presbyterian girls in attendance, the largest church group this year, and the largest Presbyterian group ever recorded at a Silver Bay conference.

At Eaglesmere (Pennsylvania), June 21-July 1, there were 629 students enrolled in the conference, representing 90 schools and colleges. The Presbyterians had the largest representation of the 18 denominations present, 172 girls registering from the Presbyterian Church. Ten foreign countries were represented in the student delegations, and the influence of these girls from other lands was very definitely felt. Miss Mary Ashby Cheek, the Student Secretary of the Home and Foreign Board, and Miss Elizabeth Faries, of Canton, China, represented our Board at this conference; Mrs. Charles K. Roys taught the foreign mission study class on "The Kingdom and the Nations."

On Monday evening, June 27th, the Young People's Institute of St. Louis Presbyterial gave an informal reception and "welcome home" to their own much-loved missionary, Miss Jane Thompson, just returned from India. The gathering was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ranken on the spacious grounds surrounding the house. Miss Thompson spoke informally of her work, giving the young people a most graphic description of what their Christmas box had done for the Christian community at Vengurle last year. Music and pictures added to the pleasure of the evening.

In spite of the intense heat, the Young People's Conference at Emporia, Kansas, June 13-19, was most successful, with the largest attendance ever enrolled at Emporia. The campus of the College, including dormitories, gymnasium, swimming pool, class rooms, administration building, and chapel, was turned over unreservedly for the use of the Conference, adding greatly to the convenience and comfort of those present. President Lewis and Professor Newsome, of the College, and Dr. Todd, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Emporia, were members of the Conference faculty and were a valuable contribution, both socially and educationally, to the week's program. The young people, while enjoying all the recreational features provided for them, did not lose sight of the fact that they were there for business, and much interest was manifested in the classes. At the close of the beautiful and impressive communion service which marked the end of the conference, a number consecrated their young lives to the service of the King, wherever He might lead them.

Mrs. Humphreys reports as a result of her work on Westminster Guild Methods at Petersburg, a Westminster Guild Circle organized in Petersburg during the Conference and one other organized in the Presbytery immediately following the Conference. A fuller report of these Conferences will be ready for the October issue.

There is a strong Welsh Synodical organization in Wisconsin. The Northwest District was invited to send a representative to the meeting of Synod held at Cambria, June 12th. Mrs. William Mainland, the Synodical President for Wisconsin, represented the District and reports a fine meeting, splendid attendance, and a desire for co-operation with the missionary organizations of the Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Mainland has proposed that they send a delegation to the Wisconsin Synodical meeting in October and work out some basis for further cooperation. In this plan our Welsh sisters have concurred. Dr. Davies, of India, the missionary doctor, supported by the Welsh women, spoke at the Friday morning meeting, June 3rd.

The Popular Friday Morning Meetings have been discontinued at District headquarters in Chicago during July and August, but will begin again September 23rd.

Miss Alice Davison, Chairman of the New York District, is rapidly regaining strength in Scotland and expects to return to New York in the fall ready for service.

The monthly prayermeeting of the New York District will be held at 10 A. M. in the Assembly Room, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York City, on the first Wednesday of each month, beginning October 5th. The topic for prayer for each month will be the topic of the meeting. Furloughed missionaries and Board secretaries will give the latest news from the field. Program builders for Auxiliary Societies will find these meetings full of good things. All are welcome. Plan your visit to New York for the first Wednesday of the month.

Praise services are being planned for many societies, using "God's Kingdom," "Praise and Thanksgiving," "The Service of Labor." The meetings are proving the brightest and best of the year. "Whoso offereth praise glorifieth me."

Plans are being made for stirring Synodical meetings throughout the entire country. Two societies are organizing this autumn for Home and Foreign Missions. The Florida Synodical will be organized October 12th at Miami, and the New York Synodical will organize for Home and Foreign Missions at Mount Vernon, October 18th.

The Annual meeting of the Missouri Synodical Missionary Society will be held in Webb City, Mo., October 6-7. Hospitality Chairman —Mrs. T. J. Roney, 110 N. Ball Street, Webb City, Mo.

Please notice two changes in address of the headquarters of the District Committees:

North Pacific—Room 310, 407 Washington Street, Portland, Oregon.

Occidental—278 Post Street, San Francisco, California.

NEWS FROM THE FRONT

A New "Guild" in China

MARY D. FINE

THE SUPPORT of the newest station of the Kiangan Mission, that at SHOUDJOU, is a part of the foreign missions work carried on by the chapters and circles of the *Westminster Guild*, under the Woman's Foreign Missions Board.

Shoudjou, which for some 14 years has been an outstation of the Kiangan Mission, has this last year entered into its own and been created a regular station of the Board of Foreign Missions. Financially, it is blessed with the support of chapters and circles of the Westminster Guild. This means, not alone to Shoudjou, but to the members of the Westminster Guild, a new source of supply from the home base, for this means of support does not detract from any other work or station.

The city of Shoudjou, is great in possibilities. The city itself is unique. Long ago it was the capital of the Dju kingdom, and even yet bears evidence of its prestige in the dignity and culture of its people and their reverence for learning, and remains a favorite residential city for official families.

There are four gates in the perfectly turreted walls of old Shoudjou, where very likely contemporaries of Boaz were accustomed to sit. The broad, straight, stone-paved streets, leading from gate to gate, north to south, and east to west, are smooth and shiny as the result of the passing of countless feet for these hundreds of years.

They are a progressive people, and now is our opportunity. The Church must assume its rightful place. We are the only ones there, so the whole responsibility is ours. Undoubtedly, foreign business enterprises will soon be undertaken at Shoudjou. May the Church make the best and most of this time, to build a strong spiritual and moral background which shall be able to withstand all the forces which will surely come against it and must be met.

One of the strong things about the little group of Shoudjou believers, numbering 21, is the determination of the men to have their whole families Christian. With one exception, the men Christians have their wives worshiping with them. Their zeal in behalf of the women is evidenced by the following incident:

Five of our men called to inquire what could be done to open a school for women. They were reminded that the city had been urging us to open a kindergarten, and would not this be their first preference when it was possible to expand the work? They very vigorously stated that their first desire was to have something done for the women in their families, since their children were receiving the benefits of training in the Boys' and Girls' schools. Finally, they unfolded their plan, which was that their wives should come daily for three hours in the afternoon. The resident evangelist had already signified her willingness to take them into her own home, and the men would provide everything that was necessary in the way of equipment. When asked what would then become of the visiting in the homes, they replied that Mrs. Shi could do some calling in the mornings, and their wives would all help on Saturdays. Needless to say, they have their half-day school, and at the China New Year the women formed a C. E. Society, and a few weeks later the men started another.

This wonderful beginning must be nourished to bring forth fruit. Shoudjou must become a mighty fortress and lighthouse for all the region round about.

Treasurer's Report

RECEIPTS, JUNE 16 TO JULY 15, 1921

The Woman's Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A.

Receipts:		
New York District,	$4,167.25	
North Pacific District,	1,631.22	
Northwest District,	7,171.72	
Occidental District,	9,177.32	
Philadelphia District,	2,466.07	
Southwest District,	265.34	
		$24,878.92
District Total,		$24,878.92
Annuity Gifts,	$200.00	
Special Gifts and Relief Funds,	45.00	
Total,	$245.00	
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Total,		$25,123.92

ACCUMULATED RECEIPTS, MARCH 16, 1921, TO JULY 15, 1921

Receipts:		
New York District,	$33,161.92	
North Pacific District,	6,163.99	
Northwest District,	62,483.18	
Occidental District,	14,830.06	
Philadelphia District,	95,658.12	
Southwest District,	16,502.13	
		$228,799.40
Total,		$228,799.40
Annuity Gifts,	$13,200.00	
Special Gifts and Relief Funds,	4,487.35	
		$17,687.35
Total,		$246,486.75

Subject to slight revision.

LUCY LEPPER,
Assistant Treasurer.

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